

INFORMATION BULLETIN

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TO: WELFARE-TO-WORK COMMUNITY

SUBJECT: DOT REVERSE COMMUTE CONFERENCE

The Department of Transportation (DOT), Division of Mass Transportation, is sponsoring a statewide conference titled *"Job Access and Reverse Commuting in California: The Public Agency-Transit Connection."* The proposed conference will be held on October 9-10, 2002, at the Oakland Marriott and Convention Center.

The conference will bring local and State officials, social service workers, transportation professionals, employers, researchers, and other stakeholders together to address pressing issues related to job access and reverse commuting in California. The primary purpose of the conference will be to engage participants in active dialogue and discussions on critical issues and promising directions for meeting job access needs in California. Additionally, conference attendees will be able to share experiences and develop initiatives that advance the cause of delivering cost-effective welfare-to-work transportation and expand employment opportunities.

For additional information on this conference, access the DOT Web site at www.dot.ca.gov/hq/MassTrans/Statewide_Conference.htm or contact James Ogbonna, Senior Transportation Planner, Chief, DOT, at (916) 651-6116 or Donna Reid, Institute of Transportation Studies, University of California Berkeley, at (510) 231-5676.

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